

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant	:	Thomas W. Davison
Appl. No.	:	10/689,487
Filed	:	October 20, 2003
For	:	SYSTEM FOR PERFORMING A PROCEDURE AT A SPINAL LOCATION
Examiner	:	Nicholas W. Woodall
Group Art Unit	:	3733
Confirmation No.	:	7935

**AMENDMENT****Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-final Office Action mailed on September 18, 2006, Applicant respectfully submits the following remarks in connection with the above-captioned application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.